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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Liang Chen *et al.*  
Application No.: 09/871,467  
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Confirmation No.: 1738  
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Examiner: K. Wyrozebski Lee  
Title: Surfactant Containing Insulation Binder

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in answer to the Office Action dated January 7, 2004, which set a three month period for response. A two month extension of time is respectfully requested, and the appropriate fee is enclosed, thereby extending the date for response from April 7, 2004 to June 7, 2004.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this Amendment.

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patentably distinguishable over Reck, Dockrill, Arkens *et al.* and/or Schell either alone or in combination. Because claims 9 and 10 are dependent upon claim 5, which is not taught or suggested within the Examiner's cited references claims 9 and 10 are non-obvious and patentable.

In view of the above, Applicant submits that the present invention not anticipated by, or obvious over, Reck, Dockrill, Arkens *et al.*, and/or Schell and respectfully requests that this rejection be reconsidered and withdrawn.

### CONCLUSION


In light of the above, Applicant believes that this application is now in condition for allowance and therefore requests favorable consideration.

If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0568 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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